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SUBJ: TSS SCHEDULE FOR CZECHOSLOVAKIA

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- 1. EMBASSY WELCOMES CLARIFICATION PROVIDED REF A AND BELIEVES BEWT HAS DEVELOQXD REALISTIC AND MANAGEABLE TSS PROGRAM FOR CZECHOSLOVAKIA. WE BELIEVE FOUR TO FIVE TECHNICAL SALES SEMINARS HERE IN LATE 1976 AND CALENDAR YEAR 1977 WILL BE APPROPRIATE FOR OUR MISSION RESOURCES AND TRADE PROMOTION PLANS.
- 2. POST WELL INTO PLANNING AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR MACHINE TOOLS TSS NOVEMBER 16-20 BUT STILL NEEDS DETAILS REQUESTED REF B, PARA 6.
- 3. POST READY TO MAKE FORMAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR UNCLASSIFIED

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MEDICAL EQUIPMENT TSS FIRST HALF OF FEBRUARY AND

NEED DETAILS OF TIMING AND CONTENT SOONEST.

4. WE ARE QUITE DISAPPOINTED AT BEING LEFT OUT OF TEXTILE MACHINERY PROGRAM (REF A, PARA 5). AS NOTED REF C TEXTILE MACHINERY TSS, IF TAILORED TO CZECHOSLOVAK DESIRES, COULD BE AMONG MOST EFFECTIVE AND PRODUCTIVE TRADE PROMOTION EFFORTS HERE. APRIL TIMING ALSO ADVANTAGEOUS. POST REQUESTS REEVALUATION OF TEXTILE TSS SCHEDULE. IF PROPOSED PROGRAM MEETS CZECHOSLOVAK EXPECTATIONS EXPRESSED REF C, WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECONSIDERATION FOR POSSIBLE INCLUSION.

5. EMBASSY HAS NO TIMING PROBLEMS WITH LATE MAY OR EARLY JUNE TSS AS SUGGESTED REF A, PARA 8. WE ARE NOT YET READY TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY OF THREE THEMES SUGGESTED. BUSINESS MACHINES MAY BE SHAKY (REF D), PARTICULARLY IF SUCH A TSS INCLUDED ANYTHING LESS THAN STATE OF THE ART TECHNOLOGY, AND THE TWO AGRICULTURE THEMES STILL NEED MORE EVALUATION (REF E). AT THE MOMENT WE FEEL IRRIGATION TSS MAY HAVE A CHANCE HERE, BUT HERBICIDES-PESTICIDES TSS PROBABLY IS A NON-STARTER.

6. POST HAS INVESTIGATED POLLUTION CONTROL THEME FURTHER AND BELIEVES IT A VIABLE TOPIC HERE (REF F). WE STILL HAVE SERIOUS PROBLEMS WITH SEPTEMBER TIMING, AS DO CZECHOSLOVAKS. IF SEMINAR CAN BE SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 1977 SO AS NOT TO CONFLICT WITH BRNO FAIR, WE WILL WELCOME INCLUSION IN OUR TSS PROGRAM.

7. PER REF A AND OUR OWN EVALUATIONS POST IS NO LONGER CONSIDERING HOTEL AND RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT OR AUTOMATED CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT THEMES.

8. ACTION REQUESTED: (A) PLS PROVIDE DETAILS
REQUESTED ON MACHINE TOOLS TSS REQUESTED PARA 2
ABOVE AND (B) ON MEDICAL EQUIPMENT TSS REQUESTED
PARA 3. (C) PLS PROVIDE TEXTILE MACHINERY
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SLOVAK WISHES, ADVISE IF WE MIGHT BE INCLUDED. (D) ADVISE IF POLLUTION CONTROL TSS SCHEDULING PROBLEM CAN BE OVERCOME. FROWICK

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